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**From:** Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/9/2017 11:29:53 PM  
**To:** Owens, James (OST) [j.owens@dot.gov]; marianne.mcinerney@dot.gov  
**CC:** Bolen, Brittany [bolen.brittany@epa.gov]; Dravis, Samantha [dravis.samantha@epa.gov]; Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]; Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Brown, Byron [brown.byron@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Final FR Notice on MTE

Hi Marianne and James – Attached, and below, please find our draft press statement for tomorrow. Please send us relevant edits to incorporate/include DOT/NHTSA. Once we incorporate edits (and a quote if you want to include it), we will finalize and plan to send this out tomorrow morning. If you have any questions, I can be reached at Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy Thank you – Liz

**EPA OPENS COMMENT PERIOD FOR MID-TERM EVALUATION  
OF GHG STANDARDS FOR CARS AND LIGHT TRUCKS**

# Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

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**From:** Bolen, Brittany  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 9, 2017 7:11 PM  
**To:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** marianne.mcinerney@dot.gov  
**Subject:** Fwd: Final FR Notice on MTE

Liz, just confirming you're in touch with Marianne at DOT (CC'd) on this release for tomorrow.

Thanks,  
Brittany

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Owens, James (OST)" <James.Owens@dot.gov>  
**Date:** August 9, 2017 at 6:53:55 PM EDT  
**To:** "Bolen, Brittany" <bolen.brittany@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Smith, Loren (OST)" <Loren.Smith@dot.gov>, "Baptist, Erik" <baptist.erik@epa.gov>, "Dravis, Samantha" <dravis.samantha@epa.gov>, "Gunasekara, Mandy" <Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov>, "Catanzaro, Michael J. EOP/WHO" <Michael.J.Catanzaro@who.eop.gov>, "Campau, Anthony P. EOP/OMB" <Anthony.P.Campau@omb.eop.gov>, "McInerney, Marianne (OST)" <marianne.mcinerney@dot.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Final FR Notice on MTE

Hi Brittany.

I'm glad that all is well!

We spoke with the Secretary late this afternoon, and she's agreed to include NHTSA on the joint rulemaking. I've reached out to our experts to quickly review the draft you forwarded (thank you for doing that!) and we'll let you know tomorrow morning if we have any further comments. Once our agencies are all set on text, we'll make arrangements for signatures tomorrow.

I'm copying our Public Affairs chief, Marianne McInerney, for coordination on rollout. Would you put your press affairs official in touch with her? There's bound to be a ton of attention paid to this notice.

Thanks!

-James

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**From:** Bolen, Brittany [<mailto:bolen.brittany@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 09, 2017 6:06 PM

**To:** Owens, James (OST)

**Cc:** Smith, Loren (OST); Baptist, Erik; Dravis, Samantha; Gunasekara, Mandy; Catanzaro, Michael J. EOP/WHO; Campau, Anthony P. EOP/OMB

**Subject:** Re: Final FR Notice on MTE

Sure.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 9, 2017, at 6:03 PM, Owens, James (OST) <[James.Owens@dot.gov](mailto:James.Owens@dot.gov)> wrote:

Hi - I'm in a meeting right now - are you available for a quick call at or after 645 this evening?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 9, 2017, at 5:13 PM, Bolen, Brittany <[bolen.brittany@epa.gov](mailto:bolen.brittany@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi James and Loren –

Any update on whether DOT can join the FR notice? We've worked hard the last two days to incorporate NHTSA and OIRA's edits into the notice (attached), and are ready for signature **tomorrow morning**.

Please let me know if you have any questions, my work cell is Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

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Thanks,  
Brittany

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**From:** Owens, James (OST) [<mailto:James.Owens@dot.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 3, 2017 5:41 PM  
**To:** Bolen, Brittany <[bolen.brittany@epa.gov](mailto:bolen.brittany@epa.gov)>; Catanzaro, Michael J. EOP/WHO <[Michael.J.Catanzaro@who.eop.gov](mailto:Michael.J.Catanzaro@who.eop.gov)>; Campau, Anthony P. EOP/OMB <[Anthony.P.Campau@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Anthony.P.Campau@omb.eop.gov)>  
**Cc:** Baptist, Erik <[baptist.erik@epa.gov](mailto:baptist.erik@epa.gov)>; Dravis, Samantha <[dravis.samantha@epa.gov](mailto:dravis.samantha@epa.gov)>; Gunasekara, Mandy <[Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov](mailto:Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Draft MTE Notice

Thanks. We'll review and get back to you as soon as we can.

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**From:** Bolen, Brittany [<mailto:bolen.brittany@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 03, 2017 2:32 PM  
**To:** Owens, James (OST); Catanzaro, Michael J. EOP/WHO; Campau, Anthony P. EOP/OMB  
**Cc:** Baptist, Erik; Dravis, Samantha; Gunasekara, Mandy  
**Subject:** RE: Draft MTE Notice

James, Mike, and Anthony—  
 We had a few more edits this morning. See attached.  
 Thanks,  
 Brittany

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**From:** Owens, James (OST) [<mailto:j.owens@dot.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 2, 2017 8:42 PM  
**To:** Bolen, Brittany <[bolen.brittany@epa.gov](mailto:bolen.brittany@epa.gov)>; Catanzaro, Michael J. EOP/WHO <[Michael.J.Catanzaro@who.eop.gov](mailto:Michael.J.Catanzaro@who.eop.gov)>  
**Cc:** Baptist, Erik <[baptist.erik@epa.gov](mailto:baptist.erik@epa.gov)>; Dravis, Samantha <[dravis.samantha@epa.gov](mailto:dravis.samantha@epa.gov)>; Gunasekara, Mandy <[Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov](mailto:Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov)>  
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Thanks Brittany. We'll review and will try to get back to you if we have any major concerns tomorrow, though clearance from our front office will take a few days.

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**From:** Bolen, Brittany [<mailto:bolen.brittany@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 02, 2017 8:27 PM  
**To:** Owens, James (OST); Catanzaro, Michael J. EOP/WHO  
**Cc:** Baptist, Erik; Dravis, Samantha; Gunasekara, Mandy  
**Subject:** Draft MTE Notice

James and Mike – as discussed, attached is the latest draft of the notice. Can you please let us know by tomorrow whether you have any major concerns?

Thanks,  
Brittany

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